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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part

application of prior pending Application No. 09/866,783, filed May 30, 2001,

For (Title): **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY POWDER,
HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY POWDER, AND HYDROGEN-STORING
TANK FOR MOUNTING IN VEHICLE**

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1. A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney is:
 - a. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the parent application. (Used with the same or fewer inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application or (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter.)
 - b. A new Declaration and Power of Attorney. (Used with the same, fewer or additional inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application, (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter, or (c) a new specification.)
2. The filing fee based on entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment is calculated below:

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ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT NOTED BELOW**

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x 84 =	\$
+280 =	\$
TOTAL	\$ 750

3. A Check in the amount of \$750 to cover the filing fee is attached.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.
5. Cancel claims 1-3 and 9-12 of the application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
6. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part of Application No. 09/866,783 filed May 30, 2001. The disclosure of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--
7. Formal drawings (Figs. 1-15; 14 sheets) are attached.

8. Priority of foreign application No. 2000-166480 filed May 31, 2000 in Japan, 2001-44088 filed February 20, 2001 in Japan and 2001-142250 filed May 11, 2001 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
9. The certified copy was filed in prior Application No. 09/866,783 on September 25, 2001.
10. A certified copy of the above foreign application(s) is attached.
11. Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. _____ filed _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
12. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. _____ filed _____.--
13. The prior application is assigned of record to Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha recorded at Reel 012194, Frame 0738 on September 25, 2001.
14. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R §1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:
15. A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
16. An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449.
17. Small entity status:
18. Other: _____
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